

NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 112-98)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committees on Armed Services, Education and the Workforce, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, Foreign Affairs, Homeland Security, Judiciary, Natural Resources, Oversight and Government Reform, Transportation and Infrastructure, Veterans' Affairs, Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit the 2012 *National Drug Control Strategy*, which follows through on the commitment made by my Administration to chart a new course in our efforts to reduce illicit drug use and its consequences in the United States. The balanced approach outlined in the Administration's inaugural *National Drug Control Strategy* has yielded significant results, which are detailed in the following pages.

Our Nation still faces serious drug-related challenges, however. Too many Americans need treatment for substance use disorders but do not receive it. Prescription drug abuse continues to claim American lives, and those who take drugs and drive threaten safety on our Nation's roadways. Young people's perceptions of the risks of drug use have declined over the past decade, and research suggests that this often predicts future increases in drug use. There is still much left to do to reform our justice system and break the cycle of drug use and crime. Our commitment to work with partner nations must remain steadfast to reduce drug production, trafficking, and related transnational threats.

Based upon the progress we have achieved over the past three years, I am confident we can address these challenges through concerted action along the entire spectrum of prevention, early intervention, treatment, recovery support, criminal justice reform, law enforcement, and international cooperation. However, we must match our commitment with the appropriate resources.

Illicit drug use in America contributed to an estimated \$193 billion in crime, health, and lost productivity costs in 2007, the year for which the most recent estimate is available. In today's challenging economic environment, we cannot afford such a drain on our economy and public resources. While difficult budget decisions must be made at all levels of government, we must ensure continued support for policies and programs that reduce drug use and its enormous costs to American society. In doing so, we will not only strengthen our economy but also sustain the national character and spirit that has made the United States a world leader.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Congress and Federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial leaders, international partners, and the American people in this important endeavor.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, April 19, 2012.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BASS of New Hampshire (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of attending a funeral service.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BROWN of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 57 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, April 23, 2012, at 11 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5689. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's "Major" final rule — Customer Clearing Documentation, Timing of Acceptance for Clearing, and Clearing Member Risk Management (RIN: 3038-0092, -0094) received April 10, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5690. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Commodity Pool Operators and Commodity Trading Advisors: Compliance Obligations (RIN: 3038-AD30) received March 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5691. A letter from the Acting Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State and Zone Designations; NM; Correction [Docket No.: APHIS-2008-0124] received March 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5692. A letter from the Administrator, Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Common Crop Insurance Regulations; Onion Crop Insurance Provisions [Docket No.: FCIC-11-0004] (RIN: 0563-AC29) received March 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5693. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the National Defense Stockpile (NDS) Annual Materials Plan (AMP) for Fiscal Year 2013, along with proposed plans for FY 2014 through 2017, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 98h-2(b); to the Committee on Armed Services.

5694. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on activities under the Secretary's personnel management demonstration project authorities for the Department of Defense Science and Technology Reinvention Laboratories for Calendar Year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5695. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting

a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Frank G. Helmick, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

5696. A letter from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Revising Standards Referenced in the Acetylene Standard [Docket No.: OSHA-2011-0183] (RIN: 1218-AC64) received March 19, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5697. A letter from the Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting the Administration's "Major" final rule — Hazard Communication [Docket No.: OSHA-H022K-2006-0062] (formerly Docket No.: H022K) (RIN: 1218-AC20) received April 4, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

5698. A letter from the Correspondence and Regulations Assistant, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Student Health Insurance Coverage [CMS-9981-F] (RIN: 0938-AQ95) received March 20, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5699. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Terrestrial Environmental Studies For Nuclear Power Stations, Regulatory Guide 4.11, Revision 2, received March 26, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5700. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Leakage Tests on Packages for Shipment of Radioactive Material, Regulatory Guide 7.4, Revision 1, received March 16, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5701. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of intent to use FY 10 Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining, and Related Programs (NADR) funds for Global Threat Reduction (GTR) activities in Libya; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5702. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to Somalia originally declared on April 12, 2010, by Executive Order 13536, is to continue in effect beyond April 12, 2012, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); (H. Doc. No. 112-97); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

5703. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-343, "Tenant Security Deposit Clarification Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5704. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-344, "South Capitol Street Memorial Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5705. A letter from the President and CEO, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2011 Annual Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation (No FEAR) Act of 2002 Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5706. A letter from the Director, Peace Corps, transmitting a copy of the Peace Corps' Fiscal Year 2011 Notification and Federal Employee Anti-Discrimination and Retaliation (No FEAR) Act Annual Report; to